

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. President, come take the chair.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: No, I think we ought to finish the election, and then I'll take the chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The nomination for first vice president is next on the list. Nominations are open. Mr. Blount has the floor.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: Madam Chairman and fellow delegates, I nominate a fellow delegate from Ward Seven, east of the river, who is currently active in the chair of the Ward Seven Democrats and president of the board of directors of Southeast Neighborhood House. He has worked as director of the D.C. Office of Human Rights where he served with distinction. We're both members of the Episcopal Church of the Atonement. Fellow delegates, I am pleased to place in nomination for first vice president Delegate James Baldwin.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The name of Delegate James Baldwin has been placed in nomination. Are there any other nominations for the position of first vice chair? Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations?

Hearing none, the nominee for the first vice chair--I will take a motion to close the nominations.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Madam Chair, I want to have an

opportunity to make a seconding speech.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, you want to make a seconding speech. Okay.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Right. And I am very happy to have this opportunity because Delegate Baldwin is a man I've grown to respect early in the course of this convention. And I believe he's a man whom we all can respect in this convention. I think he is a man whom we all can unite behind in this convention. And we all know that that's crucial to the success of statehood, which is what we're all about. He has shown his leadership here. He's clearly a superb parliamentarian. And I believe he's the friend of everybody here. And I think that's very important. And I urge you all to vote for Delegate Baldwin for first vice chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches?

DELEGATE SIMMONS: I would like to move that the temporary chair be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot on the name of Delegate Baldwin as first vice president of this convention.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly



seconded that a unanimous vote be cast on behalf of Mr. James Baldwin, candidate for the first vice chair of the statehood delegates. Okay, all those in favor, signify by saying, "Aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Any abstentions? [No abstentions]

That is a unanimous vote, Mr. Baldwin. [Applause]

The next position is the office of second vice president. The floor is now open. Mr. Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Thank you, Madam Chairperson. Fellow delegates, I rise to place in nomination for second vice president the name of Janette Hoston Harris. Ms. Harris is a resident of Washington, D.C. and has been for the past 22 years, 20 of those years living in Ward Four. At present she is a professor of history at UDC, a member of the Democratic State Committee, second vice president of Ward Four Democrats, a member of the Mid-Term Conference Committee of Democrats National Committee, a member of the D.C. Democratic Women, and president of the D.C. Hookup of Black Women. Dr. Harris also served as campaign manager for the Carter-Mondale Primary Campaign Committee.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, Reverend Moore, your hand is up. You have the floor.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Madam Chairman, Delegate Jerry A. Moore, Jr.; I rise for the purpose of placing in nomination the name of Charlotte Holmes, a woman who is well known for her community works, her activism in many causes, of housing, the cause of feeding the poor, trying to see to it that the general welfare of people is cared for, a woman who has lent herself to the electoral process in the last general election for Council in the District of Columbia, a woman of character and integrity. And I believe that women should have a distinguished place here in this constitutional convention, the keeper of the home, the people who are our conscience. And I place the worthy name of Charlotte Holmes in nomination for second vice president.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you. Are there any other nominations? Mr. Love.

DELEGATE LOVE: Madam Chair, as I came to this convention, I knew very few of the delegates here. And one of the delegates in my mind has stood out with her unflagging humor, her enthusiasm, and her intelligence and the way she chaired our committee, which I feel was one of the best operating committees so far. Therefore, I would like to put in nomination--although my intuition is she is going to decline--just to honor her for the job she has done so far,

Delegate Barbara Lett-Simmons. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Thank you very much, Delegate Love. I do indeed appreciate your good words, and I decline. [Delegates laugh.]

DELEGATE KAMENY: We refuse to accept the declination.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Simmons has declined. Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations for the position of second vice president? After the third call, hearing none, the nominations are closed on the two names. That's Harris and Holmes. The Secretary will call the roll. First, are there any seconding speeches for the candidates?

A DELEGATE: I'd like to hear from the candidates.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: And "I'd like to hear from the candidates," somebody said.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Madam Chair, did you declare the nominations closed or did we move that the nominations were closed?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: You may move, but since nobody--if you want to be technical, you can move.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Yes.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Yes, I think that this is elective history. I move that the nominations be closed on the names of Delegate Harris and Delegate Holmes.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly seconded that the nominations be closed on the two names. All those in favor, signify by saying, "Aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

The motion carried.

Abstentions? There aren't any.

The candidates in the order, Janette Harris; would you come up and speak to the group.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Thank you. Madam Chair, I am very pleased to have been nominated as second vice president, and I've worked with my opponent, Charlotte Holmes, and I have a great deal of respect for her as chair of the rules committee. As most of you might know, I started out in the very early period working with this convention, helping to plan the workshops back in October. So, I feel a very keen sense of determination and commitment to being sure that this constitution is written and it's written and passed by the citizens of Washington, D.C.

As an historian, I am very much involved in the day-to-day activities and what has been transpired for future records. And as second vice president I certainly will serve you well, whatever committees I might be over. I certainly will work to be sure that those committees produce reports. I bring them to the body so that they can be acted upon in order to be sure that our mission as delegates to this constitution will be fulfilled. And I welcome your support. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you.

Ms. Holmes.

DELEGATE HOLMES: My name is Charlotte Holmes of Ward Six. I would like to thank you for putting me into nomination, and I would appreciate your vote. I am a Washingtonian, with the public schools here. I even worked on Saturdays when we were trying to get the home rule. I left my children to help us to work on the home rule bill, and I have been working in the community and working desperately in the housing for the elderly. And I am really a part of the youth. And I have been the chairperson of Ward Six ANC. I just said that they found a name for me when they had put the ANCs out there. And I have ran for City Council at-large on January 4th. Thank you. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any seconding speeches? Are there any seconding speeches for any of the candidates? Mr. Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Howard Croft, Ward Six. I'd like to second Charlotte Holmes's nomination. I think for second vice president we need a strong, independent, forthright voice. Furthermore, I think we need a voice that speaks for the common ordinary working people of this city. It is because of the common ordinary working people of this city that we are where we are. Delegate Holmes speaks for the common ordinary working people of this city.

Furthermore, we need a voice that has long spoken for statehood, long spoken for statehood. Delegate Holmes is that kind of voice, and I am honored to second her, Delegate Holmes from Ward Six.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you. Any other seconding speeches? Ms. Feely.

DELEGATE FEELY: Madam Chair, I'd like to rise to speak on behalf of Janette Harris. Janette Hoston Harris comes from Louisiana originally. That's where she was born. She knows what the difficulties of life are about. In the '60s her parents were run out of Louisiana. So, she has an esprit with those who have difficulty in life. Her esprit

de corps can be felt by all. Delegate Harris also taught in the schools here. She is an historian. She is committed to the constitutional convention. She is committed to statehood. And she has exhibited leadership throughout this convention. I urge your support of Janette Harris. Thank you. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches? Ms. Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: I'm Chestie Graham from Ward Six. And Charlotte Holmes is from Ward Six. So, charity-- I think we need to begin at home supporting people. And I must say I wish you would support Charlotte Holmes because she is from our home ward, Six. And some of our citizens have said: "Oh, go there and be sure you have somebody to represent us on that executive committee." And I certainly have to listen to what they say. And I wish you would support her because she has worked very hard and a long time for statehood. I have a great deal of respect for Ms. Harris. I didn't know her at first, but I have met her and I think she has much to offer. And I'm so glad we have two strong women nominated. And I hope they will be nominated in another area--[applause]. But since we have two right here together, I hope you will choose Charlotte Holmes since she



is from my home ward, Six.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches? Are there any other seconding speeches?

DELEGATE CORN: Point of information. Since there are only two candidates, if neither one receives 23 votes but one has more votes than the other, does that one win automatically?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Majority vote.

SECRETARY COOPER: Yes, the rule is majority.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: We haven't adopted any rules contrary to that. That's Robert's Rules. Unless otherwise specified in your own rules.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Madam Chairman, I'd like to move the election, please.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly seconded that we move the election. All those in favor, signify by saying, "Aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

DELEGATE EICHORN: Point of information, Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: As I understand the rule, a candidate must receive 23 votes to win? Is that not what we established in Rule 1.1?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Twenty-three votes is a quorum.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Under Rule 1.1, the election of officers: if more than two persons are nominated for an office and no candidate receives 23 votes on either of the first two ballots, successive ballots shall be taken.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Madam Chairman. Point of order, Madam Chairman. Point of order, Madam Chairman.

DELEGATE CORN: If more than two candidates.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: But there was only two candidates.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Yes, very simple. We can have our election. And if one needs to refresh oneself about the rules, that can be going on. This is a roll call election. I don't see why we should stop to decide what the rules are. It would have been a good idea for us to look at the rules before we opened this process. But now that it has begun, there is no reason why people can't read them individually. Everyone in here does read.

DELEGATE CORN: Point of clarification. I think it's very clear in these rules that it says if more than two persons are nominated and no candidate receives 23 votes,

then.... But when there are only two candidates, whichever receives the highest vote, even if one receives 14 votes and one receives 5 votes, the highest vote count will win.

I move the roll call.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you, Ms. Corn. We have moved that already. The next order of business, the secretary will call the roll for the purpose of electing the second vice president. When your name is called, state your preference. The candidates are Janette Harris and Charlotte Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Janette Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Barnes.

DELEGATE BARNES: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Blount.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Bruning.

DELEGATE BRUNING: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cassell.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: Janette Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cooper. Delegate  
Harris.

Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Abstain.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Feely.

DELEGATE FEELY: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Freeman.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Garner.

DELEGATE GARNER: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Holmes.

DELEGATE HOLMES: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jackson.

DELEGATE JACKSON: Delegate Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jones.

DELEGATE JONES: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jordan.

DELEGATE JORDAN: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Kameny.

DELEGATE KAMENY: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Lockridge.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Long.

DELEGATE LONG: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Love.

DELEGATE LOVE: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Maguire.

DELEGATE MAGUIRE: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Marcus.

DELEGATE MARCUS: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Charles Mason.

DELEGATE C. MASON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Hilda Mason.

DELEGATE HILDA MASON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Brian Moore.

DELEGATE B. MOORE: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jerry Moore.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Talmadge Moore.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nahikian.

DELEGATE NAHIKIAN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Oulahan.

DELEGATE OULAHAN: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Paramore.

DELEGATE PARAMORE: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Robinson.

DELEGATE ROBINSON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Rothschild.

DELEGATE ROTHSCCHILD: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Schrag.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Street.

DELEGATE STREET: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Terrell.

DELEGATE TERRELL: Janette Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Thomas.

DELEGATE THOMAS: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Freeman.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: I passed. Can I cast my vote  
by passing twice?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: She can pass if she wants to. You  
have no rule saying that she can't.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Thank you.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Long.

DELEGATE LONG: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Love.

DELEGATE LOVE: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Maguire.

DELEGATE MAGUIRE: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Talmadge Moore.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: I said Harris before. You  
didn't catch it, did you?

SEVERAL DELEGATES: He said Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nahikian.

DELEGATE NAHIKIAN: Pass.



A DELEGATE: Please record the second vote. Did you?

A DELEGATE: No, he recorded it the first time.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: No, he didn't.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Recount. It sounded like "pass."

DELEGATE T. MOORE: I said "Harris" the first time.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: He said it the first time around. He said it. He said Harris.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Recount.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: He has not finished the count. You still have some passes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Harris, Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Freeman.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Maguire.

DELEGATE MAGUIRE: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Love.

DELEGATE LOVE: I already voted for Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nahikian.

DELEGATE NAHIKIAN: Holmes.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Point of information. May I know how many are casting votes?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Just a minute. We are trying to get it together. Just be patient.

[Pause for vote tallying.]

DELEGATE COATES: Madam Chairlady, our tally here-- and I understand that this is not the tally of the secretary--

CHAIRMAN HUFF: No, we're waiting to make sure he goes over each name, to make sure he counts correctly.

Thank you. Just be a little patient.

[Pounding table] Would you please be quiet. We have the secretary to read the vote off.

SECRETARY COOPER: The vote is: Harris 21, Holmes 21, and one abstaining.

A DELEGATE: No, I beg to differ.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Eichhorn abstained.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Point of information. Madam Chair, how many delegates do we have present?

SECRETARY COOPER: We have 44.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Thank you.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: I'd like to make a motion that

we recess for five minutes.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: No.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: I'd like to make a motion that we recess for five to ten minutes and then come back and complete this.

CHAIRMAN HUFFMAN: Is there a second to the motion?

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and seconded that you recess for ten minutes, did you say?

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Five to ten minutes.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Five to ten minutes, and then come back and complete this. You want to speak to her motion? Come on, speak.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Madam Chairperson and fellow delegates, I rise in opposition to her motion to recess when there is a difference in the count. There is some question regarding the count. And there is some question regarding the count, and it centers around Mr. Talmadge Moore. Whatever you might have in the official count, I have 22 votes for Harris, 21 for Holmes, and one abstention. So, let's not recess until we clear this up.

A DELEGATE: And one person absent.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The motion on the floor is to

recess 5 to 10 minutes.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Chestie Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: I rise to withdraw my motion.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Graham is withdrawing her motion. Please be patient. Now, Mr. Moore.

MR. T. MOORE: Point of personal privilege. I voted the first time around and apparently the secretary did not record it because he called my name the second time, and I still voted for Harris. So, that may be a discrepancy there. I don't know.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, we'll straighten it out. We'll just have another roll call and make sure that it's right.

DELEGATE CORN: I move for a second recall.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Well, we're going to do it anyhow. You mean, a second roll call. [Delegates laugh.]

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: A motion is on the floor. It has been properly seconded that we have another roll call. All those in favor of having the roll call done over, let it be known by the sign of "Aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

Now, I'm going to ask you, if you will please keep quiet and sit down and when your name is called, please answer.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: I think this is highly unfair I think this is highly unfair; I mean, I was recording the votes as they were called by the roll--

CHAIRMAN HUFF: When there is any doubt, you just have the roll call over.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: --and I have a clear winner.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: You have to do it over, Ms. Johnson. Wait just a minute. Before we start this vote, will everybody keep quiet. [Pounding table] Will everybody keep quiet so that people can hear their names and we can make sure that they are recorded.

Mr. Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Madam Chairperson, I move that those who pass, their names be entered on the board and not checked off; their names be entered on the board.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly seconded that the names that pass be entered on the board.

DELEGATE CORN: Point of information.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Is anyone allowed to change their vote, or are they supposed to vote as they did on the first roll call?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: I made that clear at the beginning, Ms. Corn. You have a right to exercise your vote in the fashion you wish. Nobody can dictate to you how you can vote. Okay?

All those in favor of placing the names of the persons that passed on the board, all those in favor, signify by saying, "Aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Response]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

The motion carries.

Now, we are going to have the roll call vote again. Please listen.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Barnes.

DELEGATE BARNES: Janette Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Blount.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Bruning.

DELEGATE BRUNING: Charlotte Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cassell.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cooper. Harris.

Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Harris--I mean, Holmes. [Delegates laugh.]

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Pass.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Please be quiet.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Feely.

DELEGATE FEELY: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Freeman.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Delegate Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Garner.

DELEGATE GARNER: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Harris.



DELEGATE HARRIS: Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Holmes.  
DELEGATE HOLMES: Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jackson.  
DELEGATE JACKSON: Charlotte Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Johnson.  
DELEGATE JOHNSON: Delegate Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jones.  
DELEGATE JONES: Delegate Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jordan.  
DELEGATE JORDAN: Delegate Janette Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Kameny.  
DELEGATE KAMENY: Charlotte Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Lockridge.  
DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Long.  
DELEGATE LONG: Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Love.  
DELEGATE LOVE: Charlotte Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Maguire.  
DELEGATE MAGUIRE: Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Marcus.  
DELEGATE MARCUS: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Charles Mason.

DELEGATE C. MASON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Hilda Mason.

DELEGATE H. MASON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Brian Moore.

DELEGATE B. MOORE: Charlotte Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jerry Moore.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Charlotte Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Talmadge Moore.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: Janette Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nahikian.

DELEGATE NAHIKIAN: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Oulahan.

DELEGATE OULAHAN: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Paramore.

DELEGATE PARAMORE: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Robinson.

DELEGATE ROBINSON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Rothschild.

DELEGATE ROTHSCHILD: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Schrag.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Janette Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Delegate Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Street.

DELEGATE STREET: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Terrell.

DELEGATE TERRELL: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Thomas.

DELEGATE THOMAS: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Just a moment, please. [Delegates laugh.]

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Corn.

[No response]

Delegate Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Holmes.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Madam Chair, I'd like to move that we reopen the floor for nomination.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Wait just a minute. What is the vote? Is it 22 - 22?

MR. LAWSON: Yes.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: You want to reopen it for renomination or to continue the balloting?

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Yes.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, is there a second?

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: There is a motion on the floor to open for renomination the position of second vice president. Okay? All those in favor of doing this--well, is there any discussion on the motion?

Hearing none, ready for the vote.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: Madam Chair, I move to recess for ten minutes.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Wait just a minute. The vote has to take place. Then your motion will be in order. You're in the middle of a motion.

All those in favor of opening the floor for

renomination on the position of second vice president, let it be known by the sign of "aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

The motion carried.

Mr. Blount.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: I move to recess for ten minutes.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Blount's motion is to recess for ten minutes. All those in favor? [Response]

Those opposed? [Response]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

The motion carried.

[A recess was taken from 9:04 to 9:23 p.m.]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Will all the delegates come inside.  
Will all the delegates come inside.

Will all of the delegates be seated.

We will now proceed. And according to the vote you took before that short long recess, we will open the floor for renominations for the position of second vice president. Mr. Moore first, Mr. Cassell second. Reverend Moore.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Delegate Jerry Moore, Junior.

Madam Chairperson, I arise for the purpose of placing in nomination Mrs. Charlotte Holmes or Delegate Charlotte Holmes for the office of second vice president. I wish the remarks that I made when she was nominated on the previous occasion to stand for the statement on the record.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Charlotte Holmes has been nominated. Is there any seconding at this time, or do you want to do the seconding speeches after all the nominations are made?

DELEGATE BALDWIN: I wish to follow the same procedure before we hear the seconds.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay. Mr. Cassell was next.

Mr. Cassell, you had your hand up?

PRESIDENT CASSELL: I nominate Janette Harris.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Cassell has nominated Janette Harris.

Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations?

Hearing none, I will entertain a motion to close nominations on those two names.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Madam Chairman, I move that the nominations be closed on those two names.

A DELEGATE: I second the motion.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly

seconded that the nominations be closed on the two names of Holmes and Harris. All those in favor, let it be known by the sign of "aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

I guess the weak ayes have it. Now, we are ready for seconding speeches. Mr. Baldwin is recognized for a seconding speech.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Madam Chairperson, I arise to second the nomination of Dr. Janette Hoston Harris. Originally I spoke when she was first entered in nomination. Those remarks that I gave still stand.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you.

Are there any other seconding speeches?

Mr. Maurice Jackson.

DELEGATE JACKSON: Yes, ma'am, I rise to second the nomination of Ms. Charlotte Holmes, a strong independent black woman in the legacy of sojourn in truth. She may not teach black history, but she knows very well the lessons of it. And that is that when you fight for your people, you deserve to lead them. Ms. Charlotte Holmes has been active throughout the city and especially in her ward, a leader of grass-roots efforts. An outstanding trade unionist, a member



of the American Federation of Government Employees. She led the rules committee with pride and diligence. And in fact when there was animosity there, she served to calm that animosity.

So, therefore, Madam Chair, I put forth the second for Ms. Charlotte Holmes, a woman who deserves the following of this body because she will surely give leadership to it. [Scattered applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches for either of the candidates? Are there any other seconding speeches.

DELEGATE SHELTON: I rise to second the nomination of Janette Harris, a very capable and strong woman, who has represented an interest in bringing about uniformity in the convention, has been a forthright person in the feminist movement, organizer and founder of the Black Woman's Hookup and worker in that particular field. And I believe that all of us should cast our votes in favor of Charlotte Holmes--of Janette Harris [delegates laugh]. Janette Harris. I believe that she has been on the rules committee, served to give leadership to the efforts to bring about rules, and represented the will of many of us in this convention. And I support Ms. Harris, Delegate Harris, for her nomination.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches? Are there any other--

DELEGATE PARAMORE: I rise to ask the body to vote for Delegate Janette Harris. I have to go along with Ms. Freeman when she stated that Delegate Baldwin had demonstrated what he could do, and we've already seen Janette Harris in action. She has shown us what she can do. She is an expert in her field. And naturally if she is a historian, then naturally what goes along with that, she knows the constitution and the process, which means she has the expertise for direction for us. So, I encourage and faithfully hope that this body will base their vote on expertise and experience and vote Delegate Janette Harris. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other nominations?-- I mean, seconding speeches on the nominees.

DELEGATE JORDAN: Fellow delegates, I rise in support of Janette Harris. During the convention, the preceding meetings we've had before this, I heard a lot of discussion in terms of those we would choose for leaders. I've heard some of my fellow delegates even this evening talk about competence, demonstrated leadership and demonstrated abilities. I think if we look at Janette Harris, if we

select her, we'll be saying to the people of this city we place a premium on leadership. We place a premium on demonstrated capabilities because we will be recognizing her skills and her experience. And those are two things I don't think that we can treat lightly. You know, in some ways we are treating this position of third vice president as if--

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second vice president.

DELEGATE JORDAN: I mean, second vice president, I'm sorry. But we're treating this position of second vice president as if it's not important. And I think that we need to give way this evening and choose a person who is eminently qualified because I think that's the only way we're going to feel comfortable when we go to sleep at night, knowing that five of our committees are going to be coordinating with the second vice president.

So, for that reason, I would like to join the ranks of all those who have risen this evening in support of Janette Harris. I know one thing, if we vote for her and elect her as the second vice chairman, we won't be making a mistake. Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches? Are there any other seconding speeches? Are there

any other seconding speeches? Having heard none, can I entertain a motion to close out the seconding speeches?

DELEGATE CROFT: I so move, Madam Chair--

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: --that we close out the seconding speeches.

DELEGATE FEELY: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Moved by Mr. Croft, seconded by Ms. Feely. All those in favor of closing out the seconding speeches, let it be known by the sign of "aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

The motion carried.

Since we did renominations, if the candidates so desire, they may speak. If either one of the candidates desires to speak again, you may do so. If not, we will move right along.

Okay, we are now down to the voting on the two nominees, Ms. Holmes and Ms. Harris. The roll will be called. Please listen so that when your name is called, we will hear how your vote should be cast. May I have your attention, please? The roll call will now be called by the secretary.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Barnes.  
DELEGATE BARNES: Janette Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Blount.  
DELEGATE BLOUNT: Delegate Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Bruning.  
DELEGATE BRUNING: Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cassell.  
PRESIDENT CASSELL: Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.  
DELEGATE COATES: Janette Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cooper. Harris.  
Delegate Corn.  
DELEGATE CORN: Pass.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Croft.  
DELEGATE CROFT: Charlotte Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Eichhorn.  
DELEGATE EICHORN: Pass.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Feely.  
DELEGATE FEELY: Delegate Harris.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Freeman.  
DELEGATE FREEMAN: Delegate Holmes.  
SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Garner.

DELEGATE GARNER: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Harris.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Please speak up so we can hear you  
up here.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Holmes.

DELEGATE HOLMES: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jackson.

DELEGATE JACKSON: Delegate Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jones.

DELEGATE JONES: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jordan.

DELEGATE JORDAN: I'm proud to cast my vote for  
Janette Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Kameny.

DELEGATE KAMENY: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Lockridge.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Long.

DELEGATE LONG: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Love.

DELEGATE LOVE: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Maguire.

DELEGATE MAGUIRE: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Marcus.

DELEGATE MARCUS: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Charles Mason.

DELEGATE C. MASON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Hilda Mason.

DELEGATE H. MASON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Brian Moore.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Brian Moore.

DELEGATE B. MOORE: Pass.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Brian Moore passes, let the record  
show.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jerry Moore.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Charlotte Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Talmadge Moore.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: Janette Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nahikian.

DELEGATE NAHIKIAN: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nixon.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Absence from voting.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Oulahan.

DELEGATE OULAHAN: Holmes.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Pass Nixon. Pass Nixon.

A DELEGATE: He didn't say that. He didn't say pass.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: He really should be absent from voting. And then when he comes in, he ought to announce he's back in the room.

DELEGATE NIXON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Paramore.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Wait just a minute.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: He hasn't recorded it.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: We are going to have to have order, Ms. Corn, Ms. Corn. Just a minute. Now, you are going to have to have discipline enough to sit in here and wait until your name is called before you go out because that causes confusion. Now, he should have been just absent until the roll was finished, then go back to his name and call him again because that is the way you confuse the vote.

MR. LAWSON: Madam Chairman, are we counting or deferring?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Defer that until the end, and then



we'll come back to him.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Paramore.

DELEGATE PARAMORE: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Robinson.

DELEGATE ROBINSON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Rothschild.

DELEGATE ROTHSCHILD: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Schrag.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Street.

DELEGATE STREET: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Terrell.

DELEGATE TERRELL: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Thomas.

DELEGTAE THOMAS: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: The passes. Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Brian Moore.

DELEGATE B. MOORE: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: The absent vote. Delegate  
Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: Harris.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Am I the last one? Abstain.

SECRETARY COOPER: Has everyone been recorded?

[Pause for vote tallying]

SECRETARY COOPER: The vote, Madam Chair, is as  
follows.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Would you please be quiet.

SECRETARY COOPER: The vote, Madam Chair, is as  
follows. Delegate Harris 22, Delegate Holmes 21, one member  
abstaining.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Madam Chair, point of informa-  
tion. Point of information, Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: He said the vote. And if you all  
would listen, you would hear it. He said it twice.

SECRETARY COOPER: The vote for the third time:  
Delegate Harris 22, Delegate Holmes 21, and one member

abstaining. The winner of the second vice president is Delegate Harris. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: We move from the second vice president to the third vice president.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Madam Chairman, Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Cassell.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: I rise to nominate for the third vice chairperson Delegate Gloria Corn.

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Please, may I have your attention? The name of Ms. Gloria Corn has been placed into nomination.

Ms. Mason, Ms. Nahikian.

DELEGATE H. MASON: Madam Chair, I rise to nominate Mr. Phil Schrag.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: I decline the nomination, and I would like to nominate Ms. Hilda Mason.

DELEGATE H. MASON: I decline, and I would like to nominate Delegate Nahikian.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The name of Delegate Nahikian has been nominated. Ms. Nahikian, you had your hand up next, and you were to be recognized in that order, Mr. Barnes and Mr. Croft. Barnes and Mr. Croft after her.

DELEGATE NAHIKIAN: Madam Chair, I would decline

the nomination. Dean Lawson doesn't even have to learn how to spell it. And I would nominate Alexa Freeman.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The name of Alexa Freeman has been placed into nomination.

Okay, Mr. Barnes and then Mr. Croft.

DELEGATE BARNES: Given that the third vice president--the powers are rather watered down, you know, since you already have two vice presidents, I think you need someone who will be able to act as one of the spokesmen--

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Just a minute, Mr. Barnes.

We are not going to have the election until we get some order. It is very difficult to keep up with what's going on when you're moving about and talking. Ms. Harris, it's difficult to know what's going on when you're talking.

DELEGATE BARNES: And I would like to put a person's name in nomination I feel can get the kind of attention from the press and other forms of media, someone who is recognized by the city as a rising person in the political sphere. Therefore, I'd like to put into nomination for third vice president the name of Norman Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: I decline.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Nixon has declined.

Mr. Croft, your hand was up next. Mr. Croft, you

had your hand up.

DELEGATE CROFT: I pass.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other nominations?  
Are there any other nominations? Are there any other  
nominations?

DELEGATE CROFT: Yes, Madam Chair, I nominate  
Chestie Graham from Ward Six.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Croft has nominated Ms. Chestie  
Graham from Ward Six.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: I have to decline that at this  
time. I appreciate Mr. Croft's nominating me.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Graham has declined.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Schrag, you have the floor.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: I would like to nominate  
Charlotte Holmes.

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The name of Charlotte Holmes has  
been placed into nomination.

Are there any other nominations? Are there any  
other nominations? Are there any other nominations?

Hearing none, I'll entertain a motion to close the nominations on the three names.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: So moved.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Is there a second to that?

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly seconded that we close the nominations on the three names, that of Gloria Corn, Alexa Freeman, and Charlotte Holmes.

All those in favor of closing the nominations--  
Ms. Paramore. All those in favor of closing the nominations,  
let it be known by "aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

The nominations have been closed on the three names. We will now get ready to vote, and I hope everybody finishes so they can sit down.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Can you second a nomination?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Yes. We're getting ready to do that.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: I'm sorry.

Madam Chairperson, I rise to second the nomination of--

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Just a minute. They can't hear

you, Mr. Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Madam Chair, fellow delegates, I rise to second the nomination for Alexa Freeman for third vice president. Ms. Freeman has been a very progressive person, very bright intellectual type person, who appears to work well with all the groups. And I stand to second her nomination. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any more seconding speeches? Ms. Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Madam Chair, I'd like to second the nomination of Gloria Corn who is a tenant leader and stopped the conversion in her apartment building--[laughter].

DELEGATE JONES: Madam Chairman.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: May we have your attention, please? Just a minute. May we have your attention, please?

DELEGATE JONES: Madam Chairman, I'd like to rise on a point of order. I think that the outburst that just happened was disrespectful to everybody in this room, including those persons that made the outburst. . . And I think no one has done you like that. And I don't think that you ought to do the rest of us in this room like that.

A DELEGATE: Hear, hear!

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you, Ms. Jones. Ms. Harris,

you have the floor.

DELEGATE LONG: Madam Chair, may I rise to apologize for the disruption.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you for your apology, Mr. Long.

Ms. Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: As I said before I was interrupted, Madam Chair, I rise to second the nomination of Gloria Corn. Gloria Corn is a tenant leader who stopped conversion of her apartment building at 4707 Connecticut Avenue. She was one of the first tenant leaders in Ward Three, which makes her one of the pioneers. She's a vice chair of ANC-3F, and served as vice president and secretary of that organization in the last two years. And she was Republican precinct chair of Precinct 50 and 33. I urge you to support one of your own delegates, Gloria Corn.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you, Ms. Harris. [Applause]

Are there any other seconding speeches? Are there any other seconding speeches? Mr. Cooper.

SECRETARY COOPER: I rise to second the nomination of Delegate Freeman for the office of third vice president. From the time of the pre-convention period when it was my pleasure to work with Ms. Freeman and to see how efficient



and how effective she was as a delegate to this convention on the committee on committees, I think that we would be doing ourselves a tremendous service if we were to elect her to the executive committee, only because I think she will provide valuable direction and input to such a committee. Therefore, I urge you to support delegate Freeman for the position of Third Vice President of this convention.

[Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches? Mr. Robinson.

DELEGATE ROBINSON: I would like to second the nomination of Delegate Freeman as the third vice president. I would just like to add to the other statements that have been made that Delegate Freeman is currently attending law school, and her expertise, her background in the position of third vice president can be greatly utilized. I urge you to vote for Delegate Freeman as third vice president. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches for any of the three candidates? Mr. Barnes--no, wait a minute. Are there any other seconding speeches. Any other seconding speeches? Hearing none, now, Mr. Barnes.

DELEGATE BARNES: I move the election.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay.

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The election has been moved and seconded. All those in favor of moving on with the election of the third vice chair, let it be known by the sign of "aye."

[Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

Mr. Cooper, we will now have the roll call.

Mr. Thomas, we will now have the roll call. Please be quiet.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Barnes.

DELEGATE BARNES: Alexa Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Blount.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: Delegate Freeman

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Bruning.

DELEGATE BRUNING: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cassell.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cooper. Freeman.

Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Alexa Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Feely.

DELEGATE FEELY: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Freeman.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Garner.

DELEGATE GARNER: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Holmes.

DELEGATE HOLMES: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jackson.

DELEGATE JACKSON: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Delegate Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jones.

DELEGATE JONES: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jordan.

DELEGATE JORDAN: Gloria Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Kameny.

DELEGATE KAMENY: Alexa Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Lockridge.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Long.

DELEGATE LONG: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Love.

DELEGATE LOVE: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Maguire.

DELEGATE MAGUIRE: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Marcus.

DELEGATE MARCUS: Delegate Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Charles Mason.

DELEGATE C. MASON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Hilda Mason.

DELEGATE H. MASON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Brian Moore.

DELEGATE B. MOORE: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jerry Moore.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Talmadge Moore.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nahikian.

DELEGATE NAHIKIAN: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Oulahan.

DELEGATE OULAHAN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Paramore.

DELEGATE PARAMORE: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Robinson.

DELEGATE ROBINSON: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Rothschild.

DELEGATE ROTHSCHILD: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Schrag.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Street.

DELEGATE STREET: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Terrell.

DELEGATE TERRELL: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Thomas.

DELEGATE THOMAS: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jerry Moore.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: Abstain.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Oulahan.

DELEGATE OULAHAN: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Freeman.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Pardon me, Delegate Warren?

DELEGATE WARREN: Gloria Corn.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Holmes.

SECRETARY COOPER: Madam Chairman and fellow delegates, the tally is as follows: Delegate Corn 13, Delegate Freeman 24, Delegate Holmes 6, Delegate Nixon abstaining. We have three candidates on the ballot. We have a majority for Ms. Freeman. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The next office would be the office of secretary. The floor is now open for nominations for the office of secretary. I'll recognize Mr. Jordan and then Mr. Bruning.

DELEGATE JORDAN: Madam Chair, I'd like to rise  
co--

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Wait, wait just a minute,  
Mr. Jordan. Ms. Simmons and Mr. Baldwin, please stop the  
conversation. We don't have any microphones that will  
amplify.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: I'm awfully sorry, Madam  
Chairperson.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay. We don't want to get the  
votes mixed up in his nomination. Come on.

DELEGATE JORDAN: Madam Chair, I rise to nominate  
someone for the position of secretary to this constitutional  
convention. I'm happy to do it because the job has been made  
so much easier because of the demonstrated work that this  
individual has done already as the acting secretary. So,  
I'd like to offer into nomination the name of William  
Cooper, Delegate from Ward Four.

DELEGATE THOMAS: I second it.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The name of Mr. Cooper has been  
nominated, and Mr. Bruning had his hand up next and then  
Reverend Coates.

DELEGATE BRUNING: I was also rising to nominate  
Mr. Cooper, and I'm glad to second that.



CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, the Reverend Coates is next.

DELEGATE COATES: I move that the nominations be closed.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Wait a minute, now. Are there any other nominations for the position of secretary? Do you have your hand up to nominate someone?

PRESIDENT CASSELL: No. I move that the nominations be closed.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: No, no. Are there any other nominations for the position of secretary? Are there any other nominations for the position of secretary?

Hearing none, Mr. Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: I move that the nominations be closed.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved that the nominations be closed on the name of Mr. Cooper for the office of secretary.

DELEGATE COATES: That the chair be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay. And that we cast a unanimous ballot. That's the motion. For Mr. Cooper since he's the only nominee. All those in favor, signify by saying, "Aye."

[Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

The motion carried unanimously. [Secretary Cooper rises to applause and cheers.]

The nomination is now open for the office of assistant secretary. Mr. Robinson and Mr. Croft and Ms. Holmes, in that order.

DELEGATE ROBINSON: Samuel Robinson, Ward Five. I would like to place in nomination the name of a fellow delegate, a man of distinction, a man who is the youngest delegate among us, a man who has worked for many years in this city even though he's a very, very young man. He has more experience in the areas of community service, youth, school, church. I nominate Mr. Norman D. Nixon as our assistant secretary.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: We have the name of Mr. Norman Nixon.

Mr. Croft?

DELEGATE CROFT: Could I pass for a moment?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: What did you say, Mr. Croft?

DELEGATE CROFT: I'd like to pass and then come back.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, Mrs. Holmes had her hand up next.

DELEGATE HOLMES: I would like to nominate Rich Bruning, who has worked with the Statehood Party almost as long as I have.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: We have the name of Richard Bruning.

Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Moore.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: I'd like to place in nomination the name of Ms. Corn from Ward Three.

DELEGATE CORN: I'm declining.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Corn has declined.

Mr. Talmadge Moore.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: I wanted to second on Mr. Nixon.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay. Mr. Terrell.

DELEGATE TERRELL: Madam Chairperson, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to place in the name of Dr. Sandra Johnson as assistant secretary.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Dr. Sandra Johnson.

Mr. Croft, I see your hand is up.

DELEGATE CROFT: Yes, I'd like to second when you get around to seconding.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: I beg your pardon?

DELEGATE CROFT: When you get around to seconding, I'd like to second a person.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay. Are there any other nominations for the position of assistant secretary? Are there any other nominations for the position of assistant secretary? Are there any other nominations for the position of assistant secretary?

Hearing none, I will entertain a motion to close the nominations on these three names as on the board.

A DELEGATE: I so move.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Do I hear a second?

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly seconded that we close the nominations on the three names of Norman Nixon, Richard Bruning, and Dr. Sandra Johnson. All those in favor, signify by saying, "Aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

The motion carried.

Now, for the seconding speeches. Talmadge Moore and Howard Croft in that order.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: Madam Chairman and fellow

delegates, I rise to second the nomination of a young man from Ward Five. I'm Talmadge Moore from Ward Five. I think we need someone in this convention to represent the youth of this city. And there's no one better than Norman Nixon. This young man is pragmatic; he's intelligent; and he represents a big sector in Ward Five, in fact all of the youth are following the example of Mr. Nixon. And I'm very proud to have worked with Mr. Nixon. I've been out on several campaigns with Mr. Nixon. And not only the young people are desirous of his leadership, also adults. So, I submit and I ask you and I plead with you to nominate this young man for assistant secretary, Mr. Nixon.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you.

Mr. Croft.

[At this point Delegate T. Moore's chair collapsed from under him. Mr. Moore described himself as unhurt, and the proceedings resumed.]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, Mr. Croft, you have the floor.

DELEGATE CROFT: Thank you. I rise to second the nomination of Mr. Rich Bruning. Among the people in this hall and among the people in this city, few have given as much of their time and energy, their heart and their soul to statehood as Rich Bruning. I won't go into the question

if he is competent. We all know that. I just want to say again that Rich Bruning has been a part of the statehood movement. And to repeat myself and be redundant, he has given his soul, his heart, and his energy.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Terrell.

DELEGATE TERRELL: Fellow delegates, as I said, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to speak on behalf of Dr. Sandra Johnson who would be, as we all know, excellent on the team. She is an administrator in the D.C. public schools, and she's active and well known in Ward Seven where she has for sometime been very active in community activities. She is well versed and educated in the areas of human relations and public relations. And, as we all can see, she has demonstrated that she can work with each and every one of us. She has proven through her attendance at the various workshops that she is a diligent and conscientious and hard-working person. And because actions most certainly speak louder than words, I ask that you join us in supporting Sandra Johnson for this position.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, Mr. Thomas.

DELEGATE THOMAS: I'm Harry Thomas from Ward Five. I rise to second the nomination of Norman Nixon. I feel that Norman Nixon is the future of this city. I met Norman Nixon

during the campaign. I met Norman Nixon at 2:00 o'clock in the morning walking to cover the polls. Norman Nixon had no money, no car, nothing but the will to win. And that's when I first met Norman. And he and I got together at that point, and I carried Norman around. And I think that the youth of this city needs someone to speak for them. And that someone, I'm very proud to say, is Norman Nixon. And I do hope you vote for Norman Nixon. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other seconding speeches? Are there any other seconding speeches? Are there any other seconding speeches?

Hearing none, we will now go to the vote.

DELEGATE KAMENY: Speeches by the candidates.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The candidates are on the board. I know you must be getting jet lag now.

A DELEGATE: Are those candidates going to speak?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The candidates, if they wish to speak, may do so at this time. Would either of the three candidates wish to speak at this time? Mr. Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: Yes, I would just like to say that I will respectfully and diligently serve the statehood constitutional convention in the office of assistant secretary. And I think enough has been said about me, and I'm

ready for the vote.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Do any of the other nominees wish to speak?

DELEGATE JOHNSON: If elected, I also would plan to work very diligently to support not only the secretary, but the other officers of the executive committee. So, I would ask that you support me in this effort.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay. Mr. Bruning.

DELEGATE BRUNING: Yes. I would like to--if I'm elected on it, I would continue to work with Mr. Cooper and to produce the minutes. I think you have already seen a demonstration of that much earlier in the convention before Mr. Cooper took over.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you. Having heard from the three candidates, we now move to the vote. Please be quiet so that you may hear the roll call.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Johnson.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Barnes.

DELEGATE BARNES: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Blount.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: Delegate Johnson.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Bruning.



DELEGATE BRUNING: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cassell.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cooper. Pass.

Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHORN: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Feely.

DELEGATE FEELY: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Freeman.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Garner.

DELEGATE GARNER: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Johnson.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Holmes.

DELEGATE HOLMES: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jackson.

DELEGATE JACKSON: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Johnson.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jones.

DELEGATE JONES: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jordan.

DELEGATE JORDAN: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Kameny.

DELEGATE KAMENY: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Lockridge.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Long.

DELEGATE LONG: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Love.

DELEGATE LOVE: Rich Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Maguire.

DELEGATE MAGUIRE: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Marcus.

DELEGATE MARCUS: Delegate Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Charles Mason.

DELEGATE C. MASON: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Hilda Mason.

DELEGATE H. MASON: Rich Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Brian Moore.

DELEGATE B. MOORE: Rich Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jerry Moore.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Talmadge Moore.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Mahikian.

A DELEGATE: She went home. She was sick.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: She's absent.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Oulahan.

DELEGATE OULAHAN: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Paramore.

DELEGATE PARAMORE: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Robinson.

DELEGATE ROBINSON: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Rothschild.

DELEGATE ROTHSCHILD: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Schrag.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Street.

DELEGATE STREET: Johnson.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Terrell.

DELEGATE TERRELL: Johnson.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Thomas.

DELEGATE THOMAS: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Barnes.

DELEGATE BARNES: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cooper. Bruning.

Delegate Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Barnes.

DELEGATE BARNES: Johnson.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: I said Nixon last time.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Please be quiet so that the secretary can read the results [pounding table].

SECRETARY COOPER: Madam Chair, the results of the tally are: Delegate Nixon 15, Delegate Bruning 21, Delegate Johnson 7, and one member not voting.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: No, absent. She wasn't voting because she was absent.

SECRETARY COOPER: Madam Chair, the majority of the votes cast belong to Delegate Bruning for assistant secretary. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Wait a minute. Wait a minute.

DELEGATE COATES: Point of order, Madam Chairlady. In accordance with Rule 1.1--

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Just a minute. I'm calling it to the secretary's attention. Just give me a chance. When there are three people running for the same office. So, we have to do the ballotting again. Does everybody understand

what has happened?

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Yes.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay. And we are governed by Rule 1.1 that you did adopt. Okay, we have to do another ballotting.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Yes.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: I would like to withdraw.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Johnson has been recognized by me, and she wishes to withdraw her name.

Now, we will be voting on the two names, the names of Mr. Nixon and Mr. Bruning.

We are now ready to vote on the assistant secretary, Mr. Nixon and Mr. Bruning. Would the secretary call the roll.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Baldwin.

DELEGATE BALDWIN: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Barnes.

DELEGATE BARNES: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Blount.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: Pass.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Bruning.

A DELEGATE: I didn't hear Blount.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Blount passed.

A DELEGATE: Please say it so we can hear it.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Yes.

A DELEGATE: Thank you a lot.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay.

DELEGATE BRUNING: Bruning.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Bruning voted for Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cassell.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Coates.

DELEGATE COATES: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Cooper. Nixon.  
Delegate Corn.

DELEGATE CORN: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Feely.

DELEGATE FEELY: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Freeman.

DELEGATE FREEMAN: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Garner.

DELEGATE GARNER: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Harris.

DELEGATE HARRIS: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Holmes.

DELEGATE HOLMES: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jackson.

DELEGATE JACKSON: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Delegate Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jones.

DELEGATE JONES: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jordan.

DELEGATE JORDAN: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Kameny.

DELEGATE KAMENY: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Lockridge.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Love.

DELEGATE LOVE: Rich Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Long.

DELEGATE LONG: Bruning.



SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Maguire.

DELEGATE MAGUIRE: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Marcus.

DELEGATE MARCUS: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Charles Mason.

DELEGATE C. MASON: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Hilda Mason.

DELEGATE H. MASON: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Brian Moore.

DELEGATE B. MOORE: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Jerry Moore.

DELEGATE J. MOORE: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Talmadge Moore.

DELEGATE T. MOORE: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nahikian.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Absent.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Nixon.

DELEGATE NIXON: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Oulahan.

DELEGATE OULAHAN: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Paramore.

DELEGATE PARAMORE: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Robinson.

DELEGATE ROBINSON: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Rothschild.

DELEGATE ROTHSCHILD: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Schrag.

DELEGATE SCHRAG: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Shelton.

DELEGATE SHELTON: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Simmons.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Street.

DELEGATE STREET: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Terrell.

DELEGATE TERRELL: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Thomas.

DELEGATE THOMAS: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Warren.

DELEGATE WARREN: Nixon.

SECRETARY COOPER: Delegate Blount.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: Bruning.

SECRETARY COOPER: Madam Chair, the tally is as follows: Delegate Nixon 20, Delegate Bruning 23. Madam Chair, the majority of those voting belong to Delegate Bruning for assistant secretary. [Applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Bruning is the assistant secretary. We move now to the office of treasurer. The floor is now open for nominations to the office of historian--I mean, treasurer. I'm sorry. I'm trying to rush it. Treasurer.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Lockridge has the floor.

DELEGATE LOCKRIDGE: I would like to place the name of Theresa Howe Jones in nomination for the position of treasurer, for a whole lot of reasons. Theresa has been and still is a community activist who delivers maybe not in the style that we are accustomed to for her constituents. She has been the budget person for Chase, Incorporated, neighborhood action program dealing with the budget of \$203,000. She has also been the budget person with FC Co, housing counseling, with a budget of \$163,000, and has also dealt with the budget of Open Education Council and was the treasurer there, dealing with a budget of \$100,000. I think with this little meager budget of \$150,000 that we have been allotted for statehood Ms. Theresa would be the one who would be able to deal with it. [Scattered applause]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Are there any other nominations for the position of treasurer? Are there any other nominations for the position of treasurer? Are there any other

nominations for the position of treasurer? Hearing none,  
I recognize Mr. Long.

DELEGATE LONG: I move we close nominations.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly  
seconded that we close the nomination on the name of  
Ms. Theresa Jones.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: Madam Chair.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Ms. Eichhorn.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: I move that we accept the  
nomination of Theresa Jones and elect her by acclamation.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: We have a motion on the floor.

DELEGATE EICHHORN: As a substitute.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: We have to put it to a vote. You  
are out of order.

The motion is that we close the nomination on the  
name of Ms. Theresa Jones. All those in favor, let it be  
known by saying, "Aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Okay, Mr. Croft.

DELEGATE CROFT: Madam Chair, I move that we elect,  
however you do it, Ms. Jones by acclamation. Somebody can  
correct my wording.

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, by acclamation. It has been moved and properly seconded that Ms. Jones, Theresa Jones, be elected to the position of treasurer by acclamation. All those in favor, let it be known by saying, "Aye."  
[Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

It's unanimous. Ms. Jones, take care of the money. [Applause]

We move now to the position of historian.

Ms. Paramore.

DELEGATE PARAMORE: I wish to nominate Victoria Street for that position, historian.

A DELEGATE: I second the nomination.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: The name of Ms. Vicky Street has been placed into nomination for the position of Historian.

Ms. Chestie Graham.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: I'd like to nominate Dr. Sandra Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: I decline. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Dr. Sandra Johnson declined.

Are there any other nominations for the position of

historian? Are there any other nominations for the position of historian? Are there any other nominations?

Mr. Thomas.

DELEGATE THOMAS: I move the nominations be closed on the name of Ms. Victoria Street.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Mr. Blount?

DELEGATE BLOUNT: I'd like to move that Ms. Street be elected by acclamation.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Wait a minute. He moved that we close the nominations on the name of Ms. Victoria Street, and it was seconded. All those in favor of closing the nomination on that name, let it be known by the sign of "aye."

[Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

The motion is carried.

Mr. Blount.

DELEGATE BLOUNT: I move that she be elected by acclamation, Victoria Street.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Is there a second to his motion?

A DELEGATE: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: It has been moved and properly seconded that Ms. Victoria Street be elected to the position

of historian by acclamation. All those in favor signify by saying, "Aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

Motion carried unanimously. [Applause]

That is the last officer according to the rules adopted. That concludes the election of officers.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Madam Chair, I'd like to say one thing, please, to the president of this convention. I think the convention should thank those people--we should thank those people by certificates or something. We need to do it tonight. And then see that they get this for Mrs. Huff and for--we didn't get our parliamentarian, did we?--

A DELEGATE: Yes, he's here.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: --for all of those who are serving in volunteer capacity. I so move.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: I think you ought to do that after the president is given the chair.

What was your motion, whatever it was that they heard? You made a motion. I didn't hear it.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: Madam Chair, I wanted to speak to the motion.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, it was properly seconded.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: I wanted to ask the maker of the motion if she would incorporate the thought--I would like for us to produce a resolution with the names of those persons who have served us with the appropriate kind of specified things or the duties they have performed and that they become the recipients of copies of that resolution for their own personal use as well it being part of our own historical records.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: I accept that. I accept that, right.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: You heard the motion on the floor that has been moved and seconded. Ms. Street had her hand up, Mr. Moore. Is there any discussion on the motion?

DELEGATE B. MOORE: Yes, I just would like to add my two cents. I would like to thank you for all the time and effort you put in, despite the fact--

CHAIRMAN HUFF: But are you speaking to the motion, Brian?

A DELEGATE: It's part of the motion.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay, I didn't hear it all.

Mr. Kameny.

DELEGATE KAMENY: I'd like to amend the motion to



include a standing vote of applause for Lillian Huff.

[Standing ovation]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Thank you, but you are out of order, Mr. Kameny. [Delegates laugh.]

DELEGATE KAMENY: And Dean Lawson. [Standing ovation]

CHAIRMAN HUFF: I know Robert's doesn't have anything about such motions. However, there is a motion on the floor.

DELEGATE JONES: Excuse me. Dean Lawson is not on the chair yet.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: I beg your pardon?

DELEGATE JONES: No, he's not. That's not what that motion said. So, don't go nowhere, Dean Lawson. [Delegates laugh.]

MR. LAWSON: How dare I, on those orders?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Back to the motion.

DELEGATE SIMMONS: As a matter of clarification of Ms. Chestie Graham's motion, she said all of the volunteers. And when this gets taken care of, it will include people like Irene and the others who haven't been specified and singled out.

DELEGATE GRAHAM: Yes. Yes.

CHAIRMAN HUFF: Okay. Now, all those in favor of the motion on the floor, let it be known by the sign of "aye." [Response]

Those opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

The motion's carried.

Ms. Street had her hand up.

DELEGATE STREET: Where and when will we meet again?

CHAIRMAN HUFF: I'm going to let that be chaired by the new president. I would just like to say to you--may I have your attention, please? As I leave the chair and turn this awesome task over to your new president, I just want to remind you as elected delegates to the Statehood Convention, remember how you got here. And in your deliberations don't forget that because you are in fact representing all of us in this effort. And don't let it be a failure because too much has gone into it to make it work in spite of all of the pitfalls. So, we will be dependent on you. We will be here to support you in many ways. But take care of the business and good luck.

And, Mr. President, where are you? [Applause]

[President Cassell assumes the chair.]

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Thank you. Thank you. I know the hour is late and we want to adjourn. But there are a couple things we have to do. May I ask all of the officers to come up to the table here, please?

All right, it has been suggested that due to the lateness of the hour--we are committed to end these meetings at 10:00 o'clock--that this meeting be adjourned and we go--yes?

A DELEGATE: When have we made the motion?

PRESIDENT CASSELL: There has been no motion yet.  
Yes.

DELEGATE PARAMORE: When would it be in order to make an announcement? I could do that at the next meeting or now.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: If it is not urgent, let us make it at the next meeting. Is there something happening between now and then?

DELEGATE PARAMORE: When is the next meeting?

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Saturday from 12:00 to 5:00.

[Pause for conference among officers]

Fellow delegates [pounding table], we were originally supposed to meet on Saturday from 12:00 to 5:00. As it turns out, the arrangements have not been made with

the District of Columbia Government to go past 2:00 o'clock for this Saturday.

MS. HUFF: For this facility.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Yes, using this particular facility. We can change our time to meet, say, from 10:00 to 2:00 instead of 12:00 to 5:00, or we might find out from Dean Lawson whether the university facilities are available if 12:00 to 5:00 is more suitable and you have made plans.

DELEGATE KAMENY: What about the City Council Chamber?

A DELEGATE: The City Council Chamber.

DELEGATE KAMENY: The City Council Chamber would be okay.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Mr. Long.

DELEGATE LONG: I have offered the Public Service Commission hearing room at any time, night or day.

A DELEGATE: Let's go to the Public Service Commission.

DELEGATE LONG: Do you want to do that?

PRESIDENT CASSELL: A motion?

A DELEGATE: So moved. I move that we use the Public Service Hearing Room from 2:00 to 5:00 on Saturday.

SEVERAL DELEGATES: Second.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: It has been moved and seconded to reconsider the location. That will require a two-thirds vote.

A DELEGATE: What time?

PRESIDENT CASSELL: The same time, from 12:00 to 5:00.

A DELEGATE: Where is it located?

PRESIDENT CASSELL: What is the location of the Public Service?

DELEGATE LONG: The address, 451 Indiana, Northwest. It is the building north of the new District of Columbia Courthouse. Abe Lincoln is standing out front there.

DELEGATE KAMENY: Any floor or room?

DELEGATE LONG: You must enter the building on the Fourth Street ground level. If you go to the front on the weekend, it's locked.

A DELEGATE: How big is the room?

DELEGATE LONG: The room will hold all of us, plus about 10 or 20 people more.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: How's the parking?

DELEGATE LONG: The parking is on the side on the weekend.

A DELEGATE: What floor?

DELEGATE LONG: Second floor.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: There is a motion on the floor to meet next Saturday from 12:00 to 5:00 at the Public Service Commission Building on the second floor. There is unassigned parking in a parking lot which is?

DELEGATE LONG: All around the building.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Okay, there's a parking lot surrounding the building. On the second floor.

DELEGATE LONG: You must enter the building on the ground level, Fourth Street side of the building. I will put up signs directing you to the entrance.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: All right, we've got to carry this motion. All in favor, signify by saying, "Aye."

[Response]

Opposed? [Silence]

Abstentions? [No abstentions]

Motion carries.

A DELEGATE: I move we adjourn.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: It has been moved and--

A DELEGATE: Second.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: --seconded that we adjourn.

[The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m., to reconvene on Saturday, February 13, 1982 at 12:00 p.m.]